

REMARKS

Amendments to the Claims

Applicant has amended claims 1, 12, and 13 to correct minor typographical errors present in the claims as depicted in the Examiner's Amendment (pp. 2-4) of the communication of July 1, 2004.

Acknowledgment of Designation of Claims 1, 5-13, and 15-27 as Allowable

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's designation of claims 1, 5-13, and 15-27 as allowable. Applicant asserts that the amendments to claims 1, 12, and 13 made in this Amendment will not alter the allowability of these claims.

Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Applicant respectfully points out a typographical error on page 5 of the communication of July 1, 2004, wherein the Examiner states that "Claims 1, 5-13 and 15-20 are allowed." As noted above, claims 1, 5-13, and 15-27 have been allowed.

SUMMARY

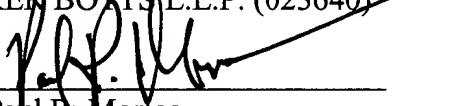
Applicant requests that the Examiner amend claims 1, 12, and 13 in the manner specified above. Should the Examiner have any questions, comments or suggestions in furtherance of the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the attorneys of record by telephone, facsimile, or electronic mail.

Applicant believes that there are no fees due in association with this filing of this Amendment After Allowance. However, should the Commissioner deem that any fees are due, including any fees for extensions of time, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commissioner accept this a Petition Therefor, and direct that any additional fees be charged to Baker Botts L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 02-0383, (*formerly Baker & Botts, L.L.P.*) Order Number 002905.0110.

Respectfully submitted,

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